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tiam promereri potuit Vir Illustri &
perantiqua Gente ortus, Ingenio ad mag-
na natus, ad majora Eruditione omnigena institu-
tus, diuturno rerum Civilium usu exercitus, in
diversissimis administrandæ Reipublicæ muneribus
summa cum laude, & suo satis cum periculo
versatus: Tantam per dilectus & perquam fidelis
Consiliarius noster Robertus Harley merito a no-
bis consequi debet, Hic unus, a frequentissimo
Communium consilio, per tres continuo vices, O-
rator evocatus est, immo unus, & illam Cathe-
dram tenuit, & nobis eodem Tempore ab Epistolis
fuit, utrique haud quaquam impar Provinciæ:
Officia enim adeo inter se visa dissidere, Illi facile
erat conciliare qui hominum animos temperare
atque

W *Hatever* Favour may be Merited
 from a Just Prince by a Man Born
 of an Illustrious and very Ancient Family,
 fitted by Nature for Great Things, and by
 all Sorts of Learning qualified for greater;
 Constantly Employed in the Study of State
 Affairs, and with the Greatest Praise, and no
 Small Danger, exercising Variety of Offices
 in the Government: *So much* does Our
 Well-beloved and very Faithful Counsellor
Robert Harley deserve at Our Hands: He
 who in Three Successive *Parliaments* was
 Unanimously chosen *Speaker*, and at the
 same time that he filled the Chair, was Our
 Principal *Secretary of State*: In no wise unequal
 to either Province. Places so seemingly
 disagreeing were easily reconciled by one who
 knew how with equal Weight and Address
 to Moderate and Govern the Minds of Men:

atque inflectere pari prudentia & auctoritate potuit, qui populi jura sic tueri novit ut nihil interim Majestati Regiæ decederet, quique penitus intellexit quam pulchre consistere posset cum Libertate Imperium. Geminò hoc munere decurso, cum respirasset paululum, Ærarij nostri curam Quæstor sustinuit, late grassanti peculatus pesti coercendæ, novisque ad alterum Orbem Commerciis instituentis consuluit & mire sagax laborantibus Fisci rebus tam opportune nuper succurrit ut liberatam ab eo fidem publicam laudet Senatus, gaudeant Cives, Nos etiam (a communibus enim commodis nostra nunquam divellimus) baud parum lætemur : Quare viro de nobis nostrisque omnibus præclare merito honores, & ipsi & ipsius genti jam diu debitos decernimus. Ad hoc & nostra nos Voluntas ducit, & totius Britannix vox hortatur.

Quem

One who could preserve the Rights of the People without infringing the Prerogative of the Crown : And who thoroughly understood how well *Government* could consist with *Liberty*. This Double Task being performed, after some short Respite, he bore the Weight of Our *Exchequer* as *Chancellor*, and thereby prevented the further Plundering the Nation, and also provided for the Settling a New Trade to the *South Seas*, and (by Rescuing Public Credit) so opportunely Relieved the Languishing Condition of the *Treasury*, as to deserve Thanks from the *Parliament*, Blessings from the *Citizens*, and from *Us* (who never separate Our *Own* Interests from the *Public*) no Small Approbation. Therefore we Decree to the Man who has so Eminently Deserved of *Us* and of all our Subjects, those Honours which were long since Due to *Him* and his *Family*, being induced thereto by our own Good Pleasure, and the Suffrage of all *Great-Britain*.

For

Quem enim ob sua in nos fidissima Studia perditorum hominum Odijs obnoxium commemorant, quem a Nefarii Paricide furore servatum gratulantur Regni nostri Ordines, Is ne frustra servatus sit, admonent. Eorum Lubentur favemus votis, qui ad nos tam honesto utriusque Domus Senatoriae suffragio commendatus accedit, suum inter Proceres, quibus jampridem nobili majorum Sanguine & multijuga generis serie conjunctus est, habeat Locum, & ab illa Urbe ubi egregie vigent literæ literarum ipse sciens & literatorum Fautor, titulos suos feliciter fausteque Auspicetur.

Sciatis, &c.

For we take it as an *Admonition*, that *He* should not in *Vain* be Preserved whom the *States* of our *Realm* have *Testified* to be obnoxious to the Hatred of Wicked Men upon account of his most Faithful Services to *Us*, and whom they have Congratulated upon his Escape from the Rage of a *Flagitious Parricide*. We gladly indulge their *Wishes* that *He* who comes thus recommended to us by so Honourable a *Vote* of both Houses of *Parliament* should have his Seat among the *Peers*, to many of whom his Family have been long allyed, and that *He* who is Himself *Learned*, and a *Patron* of *Learning* should happily take his Title from that *City* where *Letters* do so Gloriously Flourish.

Now Know ye, &c.

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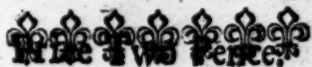
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Made Baron of *Wigmore*, Earl
of *Oxford* and *Mortimer*, Lord High Treas-
urer of *Great Britain*.

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S I R,

I AM sensible of the great Merits of Mr. *Harley*, now created Earl of *Oxford* and *Mortimer*; and there is no Man in *England*, I wish an higher Post to; none I wish to be rewarded more; as none has more signally deserv'd of Church and State. But I wonder to find the Preamble to his Patent so carelessly penn'd; I mean as to the *Latin*, when he might have commanded, and such a Thing requir'd, the best Pen in the Kingdom, especially when it was design'd to be printed, and made publick.

I'll freely give you my Objections and Remarks on it.

I can't find in any good Author *promereri gratiam*.

Eruditione institutus.] *Eruditio* and *Institutio* being much the same, he might as well have written *institutione institutus*; and therefore I think *literaturâ omnigenâ institutus*, or *literis institutus*, had been better; which last is in *Quintilian*.

In diversissimis administrandâ Reipublicâ muneribus.] I can't tell what need there is of the Word *administrandâ*.

Communium concitio.] This is not a proper Word for the House of Commons, but a mere Anglicism. Sir *Thomas Smith*, in his *Respubl. Angl.* calleth the Commons *Equites Municipalesq; Parlamentarii*.

Continuò.] This Adverb signifies not *successively*, but *immediately*.

Evocatus.] *Electus* would have much better express'd the Way of appointing a Speaker.

Cathedram tenuit.] *Cicero* would have said *dignitatem tenuit*. *Cathedram tenere* smells of the modern Idiom.

Ab Epistolis.] I think *Budaus* expresseth a Secretary, à *Secretis*; and besides, *ab Epistolis* is too little for a chief Secretary of State.

Officia conciliare.] By *Conciliare* he means, as I suppose, to *reconcile*, *unite*, or *join*. I can't find this Verb in that Signification, without a Dative or a Preposition; as, *Quos mihi conciliasti*, in *Tully*; *Ut se ad eum conciliarem*, in *Plautus*. And therefore it might have been *officia sibi mutuò*, or *invicem conciliare*.

Animos temperare.] I find not *animos*, but *animis* in another Sense:

Pulchre consistere.] *Pulchre* expresses too little. *Solidè*, or some such Adverb, had been more proper.

Gemino hâc munere decurso.] I doubt of this Expression, *munus decurrere*. I read in *Tully*, *munus explere*, *munere perfungi*. And besides, the Word *Gemino* seems to be less proper, because he did not continue in both Places thro' the whole Time, but continu'd in the one long after he had been out of the other.

Cum

Cum respirasset paululum.] I know not whether *paululum* be not too little for the Interval between his going out of the Secretary's Office, and his being made Chancellor of the Exchequer. Besides, tho' he was not in a publick Post, yet he was not idle all that while. He was neither weary of being Secretary, nor wanting in his Advice, when he saw Occasion. He did not wholly retire from Business; and the Word *respirare* is too idle and lazy for his busy and active Genius.

Quæstor.] This Word signifies not Chancellor of the Exchequer. Sir Tho. Smith, in Chap. de *Ærarii curiâ*, *Angliæ Quæstor*, is the Treasurer; *Cancellarius*, or *Proquæstor*, is the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

Liberatam fidem publicam laudet.] *Laudo* can't admit this Construction; for the true Syntax ought to be, *Laudet, quòd fidem publicam liberaverit*; or, *quòd ab eo fides publica liberata sit*. But his Mistake was, that because *liberatam fidem publicam gaudeant*, is true Latin, therefore he thought *liberatam fidem publicam laudet* might be so too.

Pesti coercendæ, commerciis instituendis consuluit.] I am not acquainted with such a Construction of *consulo* with a Participle. *Consulere salutis* is Latin, but I dare not affirm the same of *saluti restituendæ consulere*.

Quem obnoxium commemorant.] What does *commemorant* here signify? Is it, Put in Mind? And who had forgot his being stabb'd?

Quem servatum gratulantur.] *Cui servato gratulantur*; or, *Cui, quod servatus sit, gratulantur*; or, *Cui vitam servatam gratulantur*, had been truer Latin.

The Latin of the Preamble in many Places wants Connexion, in others Transi- tion; as particularly after *Eorum lubenter favemus votis*.

And where Mention is made of his taking his Title from Oxford, another Reason might have been added, that tho' not in the University, yet not many Miles from it, and (if I mistake not) in the same County, he had his Education.

I shall close my Letter with an Essay I have made, keeping strictly to the Sense and subject Matter, (which, I suppose, was given to the Person who penn'd the Words, and for which I will not be accountable) but only altering here and there what seems to me harsh, and not so truly or fully express'd, as it ought to be.

Quam de æquo Principe promereri potest Vir illustri & peranti-
 quâ gente ortus, ingenio ad magna natus, ad majora literis insti-
 tutus, diuturno rerum civilium usu exercitus in diversissimis Reip. mune-
 ribus summâ cum laude & suo satis cum periculo versatus: Tantum
 perdilectus & perquam fidelis Consiliarius noster meritò à nobis conse-
 qui debet; qui unus à frequentissimo equitum municipumque concilio
 per tres continuas vices Comitiorum Rogator electus est; imò unus &
 illam dignitatem tenuit, & nobis etiam à secretis fuit: duabus idem par
 provinciis; quarum officia dissidere quamlibet visa, sibi tamen invicem
 conciliata, facile administravit; quippe quòd hominum animos pari pru-
 dentiâ & autoritate permovere ac regere, populiq; juxtâ ac Regiæ Ma-
 jestatis jura, quasi arbiter ac vindex, sic tueri noverit, ut nihil alteratri
 detraheretur; peritissimus scilicet illarum artium, per quas solidè confi-
 stere posset cum libertate imperium: Cùmque, post illud & hoc munus
 expletum, aliquantum temporis, magis quidem privatus quàm otiosus,
 egisset; Ærarîi nostri curam sustinuit Proquæstor: Latè grassanti pe-
 culatûs pesti coercendæ novisque ad alterum orbem commerciis institu-
 endis Author, Laborantibus fisci rebus tam sagaciter & opportunè nuper
 succurrit; ut liberatam ab eo fidem publicam fateatur Senatus, gaudeant
 Cives, nos etiam (à communibus enim commodis nostra nunquam divel-
 limus) haud parum lætemur. Quare viro de nobis nostrisque omnibus
 præclare merito honores & ipsi & ipsius genti jamdiu debitos decerni-
 mus; ad quod & nostra nos voluntas ducit, & totius Britanniæ vox hor-
 tatur. Quem enim ob sua in nos fidissima studia perditorum hominum
 odiis obnoxium agnoscunt, cui à nefarii percussoris furore servato gratu-
 lantur Regni nostri Ordines, Is ne frustra servatus sit, admonent: Eorum
 itaque lubenter favemus votis; quique ad nos tam honesto utriusque
 domûs senatoriæ suffragio commendatus accedit, suum inter Proceres,
 quibus jampridem nobili majorum sanguine & multijugâ generis serie
 conjunctus est, ut habeat locum, volumus; & ab illâ urbe, ubi egregiè
 florent literæ & literati, ipse non minus illarum sciens quàm horum fau-
 tor, titulos suos faustè ac foeliciter auspicetur. Sciatis itaque, &c.

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Ita

THERE is nothing wherein we more willingly exercise that Royal Authority, which is entrusted to us from Above, than by rewarding True Merit and Vertue, and advancing to all suitable Dignity Men who have deserved well of Us, and whose Ancestors have been remarkably Famous in their Generation. Among these, none is more Conspicuous than our Well-beloved, and very Faithful, Councillor, **Simon Hartcourt**, Knight, Keeper of our Great-Seal; a Gentleman who comes recommended to us by a long Descent of Progenitors, of very Ample Fortunes, and Renown'd for their Warlike Actions ever since the *Norman Times*: One of whom, for his Bravery, signaliz'd under the Standard of **Edward** the Fourth, was made Knight of the Garter; another, fighting Courageously against the *Irish* Rebels, in the Cause of his Royal Master, King **Charles**, the Best of Princes, was the first *Englishman* who fell a Sacrifice to their Fury. Nor is there One of all that Race who has not been Eminent for his Love to his Country, and Loyalty to his Prince. Descended from such Noble Ancestors, he suffer'd indeed in his Paternal Inheritance, which was diminish'd by the Fury of the Civil Wars, but not in his Glory, which being acquir'd by Military Valour, He, as a Lawyer, has advanc'd by the Force of His Wit and Eloquence;

Ita enim ~~variā~~ illi multiplicemq; esse dicendi facultatem intelleximus, ut, an tractandis pro Tribunali causis, an habendis ad Senatum Concionibus aptior accederet, dubitent multi, uno ore omnes Fateantur, Eum & Jurisconsultorum Disertissimum esse, & Disertorum Jurisconsultissimum. Sux huic Oratorix Laudi domesticas adjunxit virtutes, Magnanimitatem & Fidem: Quarum robore suffultus, in tuendo quod susceperat Officio, contemnendisq; periculis, constanter perseveravit; & Amicitix Jura, sive in rebus secundis, sive in adversis, sancte coluit. Quem itaq; tantis animi dotibus instructum, sibi Clientium nemo non exoptavit Patrum, Eum nos Negotiis nostris, Forum quæ spectant, haud temere admovimus Procuratorem; Eum ad Atornati Nostri Munus, quod cum dignitate, quoad licuit, semel sustinnerat, altera vice accersivimus: Eum tandem, cum magno Illius Ingenio minora esse hæc omnia sentiremus, in ipso Forensium Honorum apice collocavimus, æqui boniq; Cognitorem & Interpretem Summum. Pergit de Nobis, ac de bonis omnibus præclaris adhuc mereri; & hanc ipsam Provinciam, ceteris, quas gessit, quanto splendidior est, tanto impensius ornare: Litum multitudinem indies minuit, Judiciorum moras reserat, & ut petitorum cuiq; constet quam minimo honestæ contentionis felix exitus, egregie caret. Quæ quidem cum Nobis summopere sint grata, ipsi honorifica, Reiq; Publicæ salutaria. Præmiis uberioribus remuneranda censemus. Ne itaq; in amplissimorum Judicum Confessu suffragii expers sit Justitiæ Vindex integerrimus, ne in Eloquentium Concilio sit elinguis sentiendi dicendiq; Author gravissimus, Procerum Ordini

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for we have been inform'd that his Faculty of Speaking is so full of Variety, that whether he is fitter to manage Causes in the *Lower Courts*, or to speak before a full Parliament, is doubted by many; but it is unanimously confess'd by all, that among the *Lawyers* he is the most Eloquent *Orator*, and among the *Orators* the most Able *Lawyer*. To this Praise of his Eloquence he has join'd those Domestick Virtues, Magnanimity and Fidelity, supported by which, he has resolutely persever'd in maintaining the Cause which he had undertaken, and in despising Danger; and has kept the Rights of Friendship, whether in Prosperity or Adversity, Sacred and Inviolable. Whom therefore, furnish'd with such great Endowments of Mind, all Clients have wish'd to defend their Cause, not without Reason we prefer'd to be one of our Council at Law; whom we, a second Time, call'd to be our Attorney-General, which Office he had once before sustain'd with Honour, as far as it was thought convenient: Whom lastly, since we perceiv'd that all these Things were Inferior to the largeness of his Capacity, we have advanc'd to the highest Pitch of *Forensical* Dignity, and made him Supreme Judge in our Court of Equity. He continues still to deserve higher of us, and of all Good Men, and is so much a Brighter Ornament to this Province, as it is more Honourable than the rest he has gone through; He Daily dispatches the Multitude of Suits in Chancery; He removes the Obstacles which delay Judgment in that Court; and takes special Care that the successful Issue of an Honest Cause should cost every Plaintiff as little as may be. Which Things as they are very Grateful to us, Honourable to Himself, and Beneficial to the Commonwealth, we think them deserving of Higher Rewards. Therefore, that the most Upright Assertor of Justice may not be without a Vote in the most Supreme Court; that he who can Think and Speak so excellently well should not be Silent in an Assembly of the Eloquent; we grant him a Place among the Peers, and that he may add some Splendor to that Order, from which, both he, and his Posterity, will derive

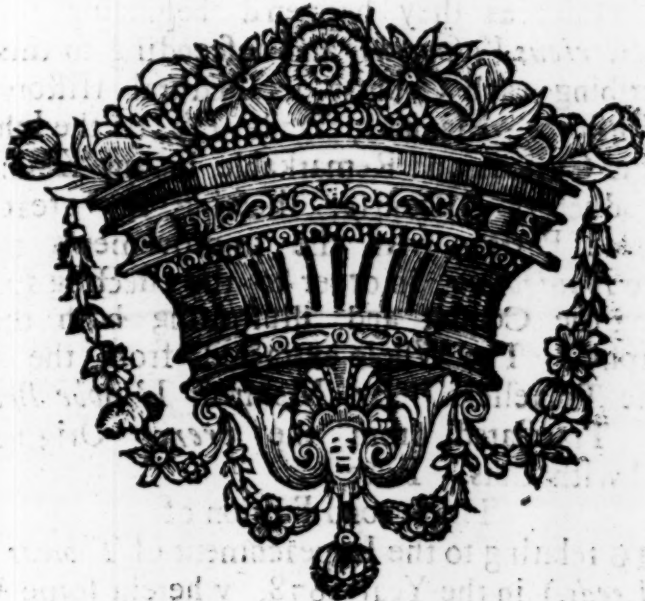
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annos amplius inclarescit sedes, eadem Titulo etiam, quem
nunc impertimus, honestetur, in omne *Ævum* (si annuerit
Deus) duraturo.

Sciatis, &c.



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PERPENDENTIBUS Nobis quam Solenne & jucundum
bonis Principibus semper fuerit. Viros quosdam Virtute
& Nobilitate præstantes altioribus honorum gradibus
augere, tam ad remunerandos bene merentes quam ut
aliorum animi ad res pulchre gerendas accendantur;
publicæ felicitatis esse ducimus sub hæc tempora tales viros extulisse
Rempublicam qui titulos suos decorantes & Coronæ Nostræ Præsidio
sint & Ornamento. Enitet inter alios per dilectus & perquam fidelis
Consiliarius noster Gulielmus Baro de Dartmouth, ijs ortus Majori-
bus quibus tam in quo quam florenti Republicæ statim ab Antecessori-
bus Nostris perenni serie præcipua belli pacisque munia demandata
sunt. In His Administrandis ita se gesserunt omnes quasi gentilitium
illis foret, fide & industria, Zelo Religionis & charitate erga
Patriam, Principem pariter atque Rempublicam ex a quo sibi demereri.
Successit his Majoribus amulus Nepos, qui exornans dignitatem
eorum meritis acquisitam, gratiæ Nostræ Patriciorum virtutibus
semper fauenti se commendavit.

Sciatis, &c.



CONSIDERING with Ourselves, how usual and pleasant a Thing it has always been to Good Princes, to advance some Men, renown'd for their Virtue and Nobility, to higher Degrees of Honour, both to Reward those who have deserv'd Well, and excite the Minds of others to Brave Actions ; we think it a Public Happiness for these Times, that the Commonwealth has brought forth such Men, who Honour their Titles, and are both a Safeguard and Ornament to our Imperial Crown. Among these shines forth our Well-beloved, and very Faithful, Councillour, *William* Lord *Dartmouth*, descended from Ancestors, with whom, for a continued Series, our Royal Predecessors have entrusted the Highest Employments in Peace and War, as well in the most Dangerous, as in the most Flourishing Condition of the State. In the Administration of which they have behav'd themselves so Gloriously, as if it were entail'd upon their Race equally to deserve well for their *Loyalty* and *Industry*, out of a Zeal for Religion, and Love for their Country their Prince, and the Commonwealth ; inflam'd with a Desire of treading in the Steps of such Noble Ancestors, a Grandson succeeded, who, adorning the Honour which was acquir'd by their Merits, has recommended himself to Us, who are always willing to favour and encourage the Virtues of our Nobility.

Now Know ye, &c.

PREAMBLE to the Patent for Advancing the Right Honourable *THOMAS* Lord *Raby*, to the Dignity of Viscount *Wentworth* of *Wentworth-Woodhouse*, and *Stainborough*, in the County of *YORK*.



*U*M animo reputaverimus quantum viris vera Nobilitate præditis ad virtutem incitamentum sit, ut recte factorum Memoria Titulorum splendore cohonestetur non potuimus quin perquam Fidelis & Dilecti consilarii Nostri *Thomæ Baronis de Raby* meritis ea comprobationis Nostra Testimonia tribueremus, quæ Principis bonorum Fautricis æquitate majorum fide spectatissima illustrium Claritudini, & proprio Ipsius domi forisq; quæsito decori consentanea esse videantur. Recolimus lubenter Ipsius propatruum præclarum Comitem de *Strasforde* quem Concilio acerrimum, manuq; fortissimum perculerunt, & tanquam Regiæ Dignitatis firmissimum Columnen Avo Nostro Gloriosissimæ Memoriam Subdlexerunt hominum Nefariorum injustæ Criminationes, sed famæ & immortalis Nominis amplitudini restituit postea Senatus Anglicani vox honorificentissima; cum Decreto Solemni ab illata sine exemplo, & modo quodam inaudito culpa Virum meritissimum exemerunt, atq; ex Actis Publicis eruendum obliterandumq; esse censuerunt quicquid contra Illum tam improbe perpetratum fuit. Hujus Summi Viri cum Proles Mascula extincta fuerit, Volupe tamen erat virtutem in cognata Stirpe reviviscentem videre, ideoq; prædictum Baronem de *Raby* non tam Sanguine conjunctum, quam simili præstantiæ laude cumulatam etiam ad eandem Titulorum Dignitatem merito evehendum esse judicavimus: Si enim vel Belli
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HEN We consider what a great Incitement it is
 to Men truly Noble to pursue Virtue, that the Me-
 mory of their good Actions should be Honoured
 with the Splendor of Titles. We could not chuse
 but give those Testimonies of our Approbation to
 the Merits of our very Faithful and Beloved Counsellor, *Thomas*
Lord Raby, which from the Equity of a Prince, who is the Fa-
 vourer of good Men, might seem agreeable to the Brightness of
 the approved Loyalty of his Ancestors, and his own peculiar Glo-
 ry, which he has acquired both at Home and Abroad. We
 willingly call to Mind his Renowned Great Uncle, the Noble
 Earl of *Strafford*, who being of a lively Genius in Council, and
 Courageous in Arms, and as it were the strongest Support to the
 Royal Dignity of our Grandfather of most Glorious Memory, was
 taken off by the false and unjust Accusations of Wicked Men,
 but afterwards restor'd to the Glory and Immortal Nobleness of
 his Name, by a very Honourable Vote of the *English* Parlia-
 ment; when by a Solemn Order they acquitted that very deser-
 ving Gentleman of the Crime objected to him without President,
 in a Manner never heard of before, and justly thought that what-
 ever was so injuriously proceeded against him, ought to be erased
 and obliterated out of the Public Records. Since the Male Is-
 sue of that Excellent Man has been extinguish'd, it was pleasing to
 Us, notwithstanding to see his Virtue revive in One of the same
 Blood, and therefore, We have thought fit to advance the Lord
Raby, who is not more allied in Blood, than in like Merit to the
 same Dignity of Titles; for if we consider him as One experi-
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*Pacifae Artibus insignem spectemus tanto honori haudquaquam impar
eris existimandus. Ab extrema quasi pueritia Militiae deditus per
omnes laborum periculorumq; Castrensiū vices eximie fortitudinis
gloriam adeptus est, & nunc in excelso Locum-tenentis Generalis
Copiarum nostrarum gradui collocatus ad bellicae rei fastigium facile
perventurus esse videtur. Hinc vero cum in Civilem lucem illam
evocaverimus, non minus illic ingenio quam inter Arma manu
promptum expertus sumus. Primo ad Aulam Berolinensem, ipso
Rege Borussiae deposcente, cum Ablegati Nostri Extraordinarii Cha-
ractere Misimus: quo in munere tanta cum laude per aliquot annos
Versatus est, ut amplissimo Legati Nostri Extraordinarii ad eandem
Regem Titulo insigniendum esse duceremus. Destinaveramus etiam
ad res Nostras in Augustissima Imperatoris Romanorum Aula
curandas; sed nolumus tum reposcente Rege Borussico Virum &
Nobis apprime illic utilem, & dicto Principi perquam acceptum alio
avocare. Cum autem per octo jam annos summa cum fide, &
egregia agendi dexteritate, cum Nostri tum Communibus Confæde-
ratorum omnium commodis operam feliciter addixisset; postulabant
gravissimae rerum temporumq; momenta, atq; ardua Christiani Orbis
Negotia ut Virum tantae provinciae parem Hagam Comitum trans-
duceremus. Eum itaq; Legati Nostri Extraordinarii & Plenipo-
tentiarii Nomine ornatum ad Celsos ac Præpotentes Dominos Ordines
Generales Uniti Belgii sese conferre iussimus. Quas quidem partes
per aliquot jam menses plurima cum solertia prudentiaq; obire insti-
tuit, speciatimq; de mortuo tum Imperatore Romanorum Josepho eas
protinus rationes usitata cum perspicacia cum dictis Ordinibus Gene-
ralibus Uniti Belgii inivit, quae temporum necessitati maxime aptae,
& Menti Nostrae penitus congruere deprehendebantur; adeoq; quo
Regii Nostri favoris Monumentum aliquod insigne habeat, quo an-
teactae vitae pro Patriae Europaeq; bono præmium, quoq; ad futurum
gloriae curriculum tanquam stimulum quendam a Nobis accipiat.*

Sciatis, &c.

enc'd in the Arts of Peace and War, he will be thought by no means undeserving so great an Honour; Bred up a Soldier almost from his very Childhood, he has gain'd the Reputation of an extraordinary Courage through all the Scenes of the Fatigues and Dangers in a Camp; and being now plac'd in the High Station of Lieutenant-General of our Forces, seems to have made an easie Step to the Height of Military Preferment: But since we have call'd him thence to the Management of Affairs of State, we have found him, by Experience, no less ready for his Ability in Civil Employments, than for his Valour in Arms; first, at the Desire of the King of *Prussia* we sent him to the Court of *Berlin* with the Character of our Envoy Extraordinary: In which Employment he behav'd himself for several Years with such Signal Applause, that we thought fit to honour him with the Title of our Ambassador Extraordinary to the same King. We had also determin'd him to take Care of our Affairs in the August Court of the King of the *Romans*; but the King of *Prussia* a second time requesting his Presence, we were unwilling to call him from thence, where he was so very useful to Us, and peculiarly acceptable to the said Prince. But since, for Eight Years past, he has happily devoted himself to the Common Interest of Us, and all the Confederates, with the utmost Fidelity and Dexterity; the most important Concerns of the Times, and the difficult Affairs of the Christian World, required us to send to the *Hague* a Gentleman so well qualified for so great a Province; wherefore we have order'd him to go to the High and Mighty Lords the States-General, in the Quality of our Ambassador Extraordinary, and Plenipotentiary, which Part he has begun to manage with equal Penetration and Prudence; and especially after the Death of *Joseph*, at that Time Emperor, he entred upon such Measures, according to his usual Sagacity, with the said States-General, as were very Suitable to the Necessity of the Times, and Agreeable to Our Mind. Therefore, that He may enjoy some Monument of Our Royal Favour, as the Reward of a Life employed for the Good of his Country and all *Europe*, and which may be an Incentive to his future Race of Glory. Now Know ye, &c.

PREAMBLE to the *Patent* for Advancing the Right Honourable ROBERT Lord Ferrers to the Dignity of Viscount Tamworth, in the County of Stafford.



ULLA Beneficientia Nostra Gratia materia representari poterit, quam quæ in viris Patriciis splendet Virtus, & Aviti Sanguinis, & Dignitatis suæ conscia. Cum igitur perquam Fidelis & Dilectus Consiliarius Noster ROBERTUS Baro FERRERS de Chartley, ex Antiquissima Familia, & inter Equestres præcipua: Paternum Genus ducens ex Avia vero Nobilissimi Comitis Essexiæ Cohærede, Illustrem Eboracensium atque Ferrariorum Sanguinem intra se complexus, Avunculo Nostro Felicis Memoria Regi Carolo Secundo dignus haberetur, cui Sedem, Titulumque tantis Nominibus debitum, & velut inter mortuum, re vindicaret. Nos Decessoris Nostri tam æquo Proposito ulterius faventes, & egregii viri Famam integerrimam, spectatam Fidem, æquabilemque Virtutem intuentes. Hunc in Augustissimo Concessu ubi Consilii Republicæ Salutaribus, vel prævit semper, vel accessit, altiore Tituli Splendore cohonestari volumus. Sciatis, &c.



NOTHING can be a more acceptable Subject of our Royal Favour, than that Virtue which is Conspicuous in Noblemen, and is kept up by a strict Regard to their Blood and Dignity; since therefore our very Faithful and Beloved Councillor, Robert Lord Ferrers of Chartley, descended by the Father's Side from a very Ancient Family, being Chief among those of the Equestrian Order, but by the Grand-mother's Side, who was Co-heiress of the Noble Earl of Essex, uniting in himself the Illustrious Blood of York and Ferrers was thought Worthy by our Uncle, of Happy Memory, King Charles the Second, to Revive the Seat and Title which was due to such Great Names, and as it were almost Extinct. We farther favouring that Equitable Purpose of our Predecessor, and having Regard to the Unblemish'd Reputation, Approv'd Fidelity, and Steady Virtue, of this Excellent Lord, are willing to Honour him with the Splendor of a Higher Title in our most August House of Peers, where He has always, either been the first Proposer or Assenter to the wholesome Councils of the Commonwealth.

Now Know ye, &c.

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QUO splendidum magis est & honorificum inter Britannie Nostrae Procere Locum tenere, eo magis fixum Nobis in Animo atq; statutum est, ne cui tantos honores designemus, a quo non aliquid vicissim Splendoris ad ipsos etiam Nobilium Ordines redundet. Ab hac Sententia minime videbimur decedere, dum Praefilectum Nobis & perquam Fidelem Consanguineum & Consiliarium Carolum Comitem de Orrery in Regno Nostro Hiberniae huic optimatum Nostrorum Consilia adscribi jubemus. Et enim ea Stirpe ortus, quae per Angliam Hiberniamque late diffusa plurimas Magnatum Propagines etiamnum jactat; quaeque Progeniem vel Literis Humanioribus, vel reconditarum rerum Scientia egregie florentem protulit. Ipse autem derivata ad se a Majoribus gloria, & domesticis exemplis excitatus, optimis disciplinis, ab ineunte usq; Aetate, animum imbuere atq; aluit. His Studiis impigre insuevit, his se oblectavit, ab his tamen ubi res Nostrae poscerent, facile se avocari passus est; & gliscente indies bello, ad obeunda Militiae Munia parem Animi ardorem attulit. Cum vero esse ei ingenium intelligeremus Civilibus etiam muneribus apprime idoneum, missus est a Nobis ad amplissimos Brabantiae & Flandriae Ordines cum liberis est summa rerum mandatis Legatus. Hanc Provinciam multa cum laude administravit, nec minus praeclara dedit suae in Negotiis Prudentiae, quam in Acie virtutis documenta. Utraque quidem Nomine cum aliquod Gratiae Nostrae Testimonium habere debeat, hoc Nobis Visum est aptissimum, ut alterius Regni Nostri Patricius Natus in hoc etiam meritum Honoris Gradum consequatur. Sciatis, &c.



S it is a Glorious and Honourable Thing to have a Place among the PEERS of our Kingdom of *Great-Britain*, so are we firmly determin'd to confer such great Honours on none but those who shall again add some Splendor to the Illustrious Order of our Nobility. Nor shall we seem to depart from this Resolution, when we call our Well-beloved and very Faithful Cousin and Councillor, *CHARLES*, Earl of *Orrery*, in Our Kingdom of *IRELAND*, to sit in the August Assembly of Our *British* Lords. For he sprung from that Stem, which having spread itself over *England* and *Ireland*, does at this Time boast of several Branches of Noblemen; and which has produc'd a Race, either Extraordinary for *Human Literature*, or highly Renown'd for their most profound Knowledge in *Natural Philosophy*. Excited by the Examples of his Family, and the Glory which he has deriv'd from his Ancestors, He has cultivated and adorn'd his Mind in the most useful Learning, even from his Youth. To these Studies he has diligently applied himself, with these He has been delighted; yet when our Affairs requir'd Him, he has suffer'd himself to be withdrawn from his Learned Retirement; and the *War* daily increasing, has express'd an equal Desire and Readiness to discharge the Employment of a *Soldier*. But when We understood that he had also a *Genius* capable of Managing *Political Affairs*, We sent him Our Envoy to the States of *Brabant* and *Flanders*, with full Commission to treat of the most Important Concerns. In the Administration of this Province he has approv'd himself with very great Praise, and has given as signal Instances of his Ability in Negotiations, as of his Military Valour. Since, indeed, on both Accounts, He is entitl'd to some Token of Our Favour, We have thought fit that He, who was Born a PEE R in Our Kingdom of *Ireland*, should enjoy His deserved Degree of Honour in that of *Great-Britain*.

Now know ye, &c.

PREAMBLE to the Patent for Creating the Right Honourable *JAMES* Duke of *Hamilton*, Baron of *Dutton*, in the County-Palatine of *Chester*, and Duke of *Brandon* in the County of *SUFFOLK*.



CUM Generis Claritate Promeritorum præstantia constanti & immaculata Fidelitate vel ad mortem usq; & sanguinis etiam propinquitate, Majores perquam Fidelis & intime admodum Dilecti Consanguinei & Consilarii Nostri *Jacobi Ducis Hamiltonii Marchionis Clidsdalia Comitum Arrania & Lanarci Domitii Polmontie Avennia Machanshiria & Innerdalia* sese Prædecessoribus Nostri Regis Gloriosissima Memoriae plurimum commendaverint Nos animadvertentes quod prædictus *Jacobus Dux Hamiltonii* præclaris nobilissima sua Familia vigiliis insistens & virtutis laude & inconcussa Fidelitatis constantia sanguinis Conjunctionem quæ Regiam Nostram Domum prope attingit porro illustrare perrexerit quo ipse & singularis Nostræ Benevolentie Monumenta habeat & posteris ipsius Gloriæ & Dignitatis amplitudine ad res eximias ac Nominis Excellentia pares efficiendas accendantur ovis Titulorum honoribus avitum splendorem ornare atq; exaugere nec evimus.

Sciatis, &c.



HEREAS the Ancestors of our very Faithful and entirely Beloved Cousin and Councillor, *JAMES* Duke of *Hamilton*, Marquiss of *Clidsdale*, Earl of *Arran*, and *Lanarch*, Lord of *Polmont*, *Avenn*, *Machanshire* and *Innisdale*, have very much recommended themselves to Our Royal Predecessors of most Glorious Memory, by the Nobleness of their Birth, Excelling in good Actions, and by their Unspotted Loyalty, even unto Death, and also their Proximity in Blood; We, taking notice that the said *JAMES* Duke of *Hamilton*, treading in the Steps of his most Noble Family, and by his Virtue, Unshaken Constancy, and Fidelity, has continu'd to Illustrate that Affinity, by which He is related to Our *Royal Lineage*, that both himself may have some Monument of Our singular Benevolence, and that his Posterity may be excited, by his Grandeur and Dignity, to perform things worthy of so great a Name, have Decreed to Adorn and Advance, with new Titles, the Ancient Honour descended to Him from his Noble Ancestors.

Now know ye, &c.

PREAMBLE to the Patent Constituting the Right Reverend Father in GOD, JOHN Lord Bishop of *Bristol*, Keeper of the *Privy-Seal*.

ANNA R.

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